

November 19, 2002

Rich Roberts
Madison River Communications, LLC, d/b/a Madison River Communications,
f/k/a Mebtel Integrated Communications Solutions, LLC
103 South Fifth Street
Mebane, NC 27302

Dear Rich,

Enclosed is a Joint Petition for approval of the First Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between Madison River Communications, LLC, d/b/a Madison River Communications f/k/a Mebtel Integrated Communications Solutions, LLC and Ameritech Illinois for signature. Our Commission also requires Notarized Verification from both parties, signed and notarized. On your Verification, please indicate which **County** you are in.

Return the signed Joint Petition and your Notarized Verification to me overnight mail.

My mailing address is:

Mary C. Velez
Ameritech
225 West Randolph, Room 27C
Chicago, IL 60606

Any questions, please feel free to call me on 312 551-9150.

Sincerely,

Enclosures

December 10, 2002

Ms. Donna Caton, Chief Clerk
Illinois Commerce Commission
527 East Capitol Avenue
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9280

Dear Ms. Caton,

Enclosed please find for filing the Joint Petition for Approval of the First Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between Ameritech Illinois and Madison River Communications, LLC, d/b/a Madison River Communications, f/k/a Mebtel Integrated Communications Solutions, LLC.

Please acknowledge receipt by returning the extra copy of this letter.

Sincerely,

Enclosures

STATE OF ILLINOIS
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY)	
(Ameritech Illinois))	
and Madison River Communications, LLC,)	
d/b/a Madison River Communications,)	
f/k/a Mebtel Communications Solutions, LLC)	02 - _____
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Joint Petition for Approval of the First Amendment)	
to Interconnection Agreement dated November 11, 2002)	
pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §§ 252 (a)(1) and 252(e))	

**Joint Petition for Approval of the First Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between
Madison River Communications, LLC, d/b/a Madison River Communications f/k/a Mebtel
Integrated Communications Solutions, LLC and Ameritech Illinois**

Illinois Bell Telephone Company (“Ameritech Illinois”) and Madison River Communications, LLC, d/b/a Madison River Communications (“Madison River”) f/k/a Mebtel Integrated Communications Solutions, LLC through counsel, hereby request that the Commission review and approve the attached First Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated November 11, 2002, pursuant to Sections 252(a)(1) and 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 47 U.S.C. §§ 252 (a)(1) and 252(e), (the “Act”). In support of their request, the parties state as follows:

1. The Parties have agreed that the Interconnection Agreement be amended to provide for certain terms and conditions and have entered into this Amendment to set forth such terms and conditions.
2. Mr. Larsen’s Verification in Support demonstrates that the Amendment to the Agreement is consistent with the public interest because it will promote facilities-based local exchange competition and enhance Madison River’s ability to provide Illinois telecommunications users with a facilities-based, competitive alternative for local telephone services.
3. Copies of the First Amendment are available for public inspection in Ameritech Illinois and Madison River’s public offices.

WHEREFORE, Ameritech Illinois and Madison River respectfully request that the Commission approve the attached First Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement under Section 252(e) of the Act as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted this _____ day of November, 2002

Ameritech Illinois

Madison River Communications, LLC,

D/b/a Madison River Communications

F/k/a Mebtel Integrated Communications Solutions, LLC

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STATE OF ILLINOIS
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

Madison River Communications, LLC,)	
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F/k/a Mebtel Integrated Communications Solutions, LLC)	
and ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY)	
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STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF JOINT PETITION FOR APPROVAL

I, Eric Larsen, am Director - Negotiations for Southwestern Bell Telephone LP d/b/a Southwestern Bell Telephone Company/Illinois Bell Telephone Company Negotiations and Interconnection, and submit this Statement in Support of the Joint Petition for Approval of the First Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between Madison River Communications, LLC, d/b/a Madison River Communications, f/k/a Mebtel Integrated Communications Solutions, LLC and Ameritech Illinois.

The attached First Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement (the "Agreement") between Illinois Bell Telephone Company ("Ameritech Illinois") and Madison River Communications, LLC, d/b/a Madison River Communications ("Madison River") f/k/a Mebtel Integrated Communications Solutions, LLC was reached through voluntary negotiations between the parties. Accordingly, Ameritech Illinois and Madison River requests approval pursuant to Sections 252(a)(1) and 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (sometimes referred to as the "Act").

The Agreement meets all the requirements of the Act and the Commission should approve it.

The Agreement is amended as follows:

- ◆ This Agreement is hereby amended to reflect the name change from "Mebtel Integrated Communications Solutions, LLC d/b/a Integrated Communications Solutions" to "Madison River Communications, LLC, d/b/a Madison River Communications."

- ◆ Ameritech shall reflect that name change from “Mehtel Integrated Communications Solutions, LLC d/b/a Integrated Communications Solutions” to “Madison River Communications, LLC, d/b/a Madison River Communications” only for the main billing account (header card) for each of the accounts previously billed to Mehtel. Ameritech shall not be obligated whether under this Amendment or otherwise, to make any other changes to Ameritech’s records with respect to those accounts, including to the services and items provided and/or billed thereunder or under the Agreement. Without limiting the foregoing, Madison River affirms, represents, and warrants that the OCN for those accounts shall not change from that previously used by Mehtel with Ameritech for those accounts and the services and items provided and/or billed thereunder or under the Agreement.
- ◆ Once this Amendment is effective, Madison River shall operate with Ameritech under the “Madison River Communications” name for those accounts. Such operation shall include, by way of example only, submitting orders under Madison River Communications, and labeling (including re-labeling) equipment and facilities with Madison River Communications.
- ◆ The Agreement, as amended hereby, shall remain in full force and effect. On and from the Amendment Effective Date, reference to the Agreement in any notices, requests, orders, certificates and other documents shall be deemed to include this Amendment, whether or not reference is made to this Amendment, unless the context shall otherwise specifically note.
- ◆ This Agreement shall not modify or extend the Effective Date or Term of the underlying Agreement, both rather, shall be coterminous with such Agreement.
- ◆ Except as modified herein, all other terms and conditions or the underlying agreement shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect, and such terms are hereby incorporated by reference and the Parties hereby affirm the terms and provisions thereof.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA)

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COUNTY OF)

VERIFICATION

Rich Roberts, being first duly sworn, states on oath that he is Regulatory Manager for Madison River Communications, LLC, d/b/a Madison River Communications, f/k/a Mebtel Integrated Communications Solutions, LLC and that the facts stated in the foregoing Joint Petition for Approval of the First Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement and Statement in Support are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Rich Roberts

Subscribed and sworn

to before me this

_____ day of _____

Notary Public